

CLAIMS

We claim:

- 5 1) A method of fabricating a tread plate having alternating stripes incorporated thereon comprising the steps of:
- 10 a) Marking an edge of the tread plate in predetermined substantially equal increments;
- b) Positioning an angle indicator adjacent each of said predetermined equal increment markings on said edge of the tread plate;
- c) Scribing a line along a predetermined angle defined by said angle indicator from each of said predetermined substantially equal increment markings on said edge of the tread plate to the opposite
- 15 edge of the tread plate so as to define incremental spaces of substantially equal area on the tread plate;
- d) Placing a covering in every alternating incremental space on the tread plate;
- e) Filling the uncovered areas on the tread plate with a first resinous
- 20 material;
- f) Removing said covering from said alternating incremental spaces on the tread plate so as to reveal angularly oriented stripes of said first resinous material on the tread plate;
- g) Placing a covering on the surface of said angularly oriented stripes of said first resinous material on the tread plate;
- 25 h) Filling the spaces between said angularly oriented stripes of said first resinous material with a second resinous material; and
- i) Removing said covering from the surface of said angularly oriented stripes of said first resinous material.
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- 2) The method as defined in claim 1 further including, before step a), the step of cutting the tread plate to a predetermined desired length;
- 5 3) The method as defined in claim 1 further including, between steps f) and g), the step of curing said first resinous material;
- 4) The method as defined in claim 1 further including, after step i), the step of curing said second resinous material;
- 10 5) The method as defined in claim 4 further including the step of drilling holes through said resinous material and the tread plate after the step of curing said second resinous material;
- 15 6) The method as defined in claim 1 wherein said first resinous material has a yellow coloring pigment incorporated therein;
- 7) The method as defined in claim 1 wherein said second resinous material has a black coloring pigment incorporated therein;
- 20 8) The method as defined in claim 1 wherein said first resinous material has aggregate provided therein to form an abrasive surface;
- 9) The method as defined in claim 1 wherein said second resinous material has aggregate provided therein to form an abrasive surface.

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